

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



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In the Matter of the Application of California-)	
American Water Company (U 210 W) for an)	
Order Authorizing it to Increase its Rates for)	
Water Service in its Los Angeles District to)	Application 06-01-005
Increase Revenues by \$2,020,466 or 10.88% in)	(Filed January 9, 2006)
the Year 2007; \$634,659 or 3.08% in the Year 2008;)	
and \$666,422 or 3.14% in the Year 2009.)	
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**MOTION OF
CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY
FOR PARTY STATUS**

In accordance with Rule 1.4 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, California Water Service Company ("Cal Water") hereby submits its Motion for Party Status in the above-captioned proceeding. Cal Water respectfully submits this Motion for purposes of commenting on the proposed decision of Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") Walwyn ("PD"), entitled "Opinion Adopting the Revenue Requirement for California-American Water Company (Los Angeles District)", which was released for comment on May 7, 2007. A copy of Cal Water's comments on the PD is being filed concurrently with the filing of this Motion.

In support of this Motion for Party Status, Cal Water provides the following information:

Cal Water is an investor-owned water utility regulated by this Commission and one of ten Class A water utilities subject to Commission jurisdiction. On October 23, 2006 Cal Water filed Application (A.) 06-10-026 requesting, among other things, a water revenue adjustment mechanism to decouple sales and revenues. A.06-10-026 was consolidated with I.07-01-022, "Order Instituting Investigation to Consider Policies to Achieve the commission's Conservation

Objectives for Class A Water Utilities,” (OII) and three other Class A water utility applications that request approval of conservation rate designs and revenue decoupling mechanisms.

Accordingly, Cal Water is an active party in I.07-01-022. Among the subjects to be considered in the conservation OII is the relationship between the adoption of a water revenue adjustment mechanism (“WRAM”) for an individual water utility and the utility's return on equity. The PD in this proceeding proposes to determine that relationship for California-American Water Company. Cal Water seeks party status in this proceeding to address whether the relationship between a WRAM and a utility's return on equity should be more appropriately handled in a generic proceeding – such as the conservation OII – or on a case-by-case as the PD proposes to do in this proceeding. Thus, Cal Water's proposed participation in this proceeding is pertinent to issues already before the Commission as a result of the PD's proposals. Moreover, Cal Water requests party status to respond to statements in the PD that do not accurately represent Cal Water's testimony and the position it took in Phase II of the Commission's Drought OII. Cal Water's concurrently filed comments will provide the Commission with a clear and accurate representation of Cal Water's testimony and position.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Cal Water urges the Commission to grant this Motion for Party Status and accept Cal Water's comments on the PD being filed concurrently with this Motion.

DATED: May 29, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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